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For: METHODS OF IDENTIFYING COMPOUNDS
THAT TARGET tRNA SPLICING
ENDONUCLEASE AND USES OF SAID
COMPOUNDS AS ANTI-FUNGAL AGENTS

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2008, in which the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter and consider the following remarks.

Applicant submits concurrently herewith (i) a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for five (5) months from February 16, 2008 up to and including July 16, 2008, with provision authorizing payment of the required fees; and (ii) a Fee Transmittal sheet.

It is estimated that there are no additional fees in connection with filing this response. However, should the Patent Office determine otherwise, the Patent Office is authorized to charge any required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 503013.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.